

DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of the Eighth Meeting of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2000 (WRC-00) FCC Advisory Committee

Date/Time: June 24, 1999 at 10:00 am

Location: Federal Communications Commission
Commission Meeting Room (Room C305)
445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C.

Committee Members Present: See Appendix 1

FCC Employees Present: See Appendix 2

Meeting Summary:

1. Opening Remarks

Chair Bush, Vice-Chair Tritt, and Commissioner Ness thanked the chairs and vice-chairs of the Informal Working Groups and the participants on the working groups for building industry consensus on positions as soon as possible to allow the FCC, NTIA, and State to go forward with proposals for WRC-2000.

Mr. Donald Abelson was introduced as the new Bureau Chief for the FCC's International Bureau.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved with the addition of an item for IWG-1.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Seventh Meeting

The minutes of the seventh meeting of the WRC-00 Advisory Meeting (WAC/078) were approved without change.

4. Informal Working Group (IWG) Reports and Preliminary Views/Proposals

IWG-1 Mobile Service Matters including IMT-2000

Ms. Bethea, Chair, thanked Christine DiLapi and participants for their work and presented a document (assigned Document No. WAC/113) consisting of an introduction and a set of three proposals with supporting and dissenting views set forth in four attachments. This was approved for consideration by the FCC, NTIA, and State in preparation for WRC-2000.

IWG-2 NGSO Mobile-Satellite Service Below 1 GHz

Dr. Miller, Chair, presented the group's report (WAC/087) and four draft proposals with respect to: 1) updating WRC-97 resolutions based on the progress of studies in the ITU-R and 2) agenda items for future conferences (Documents WAC/080, WAC/081, WAC/082, and WAC/083). These had been sent to IWG-10 for their consideration and coordination. The group had 41 participants who were thanked for their contributions. All four documents were approved.

IWG-3 Mobile-Satellite Service Above 1 GHz/Radionavigation-Satellite Service (GPS) Matters

Mr. Baruch, Group Member, reported that the group had one meeting since the last meeting of the advisory committee and had no further proposals. Overall, the group developed four preliminary views that resulted in two proposals. The 59 participants were thanked for their work

IWG-4 NGSO Fixed-Satellite Service (including consideration of ART. S21 and S22 PFD limits)

Ms. Garcia, FCC Advisor, reported that the group met last Wednesday and developed proposals in three areas (Documents WAC/108, WAC/109, and WAC/110) that were based on the output of recent JTG meetings . Document WAC/111 was prepared because the group was not able to reach consensus, and three options for proposals were offered for consideration in preparation for WRC-2000. Several parties made oral comments and the representative for SkyBridge and Boeing provided written statements (assigned Document Nos. WAC/114 and WAC/115, respectively). All four documents and the two statements were accepted to go forward for consideration in the U.S. WRC-2000 preparatory process.

IWG-5 Space Science, Radio Astronomy, Maritime Mobile and Aeronautical Service Matters

Mr. Kaltenmark, Chair, reported on his group's activities (Document WAC/ 090) and presented a draft proposal (WAC/084) for WRC-2000 Agenda Item 1.10 which was approved. Participants in the group's work were thanked for their efforts.

IWG-6 Appendix 30 and 30A Matters (Broadcasting-Satellite Service)

Ms. Baum, Chair, presented and distributed a report (assigned Document No. WAC/112) on the group's work and thanked the group for their participation. A draft proposal (WAC/085) for Agenda Item 1.20 was presented. There was another draft proposal (WAC/086) to add an agenda item for a future conference, but it had to be withdrawn from consideration by the Advisory Committee because it was not supported in the Informal Working Group by DirecTV. The draft proposal for Agenda Item 1.20 was approved.

IWG-7 Fixed and Fixed-Satellite Service 36-51 GHz Matters

Mr. Jansky, Vice-Chair, presented three documents. Two were draft proposals for WRC-2000 Agenda Items 1.4 and 1.5 (WAC/088 and WAC/105, respectively). The third (WAC/089) provided comments on NTIA's draft proposal on an FSS allocation at 41.5-42.5 GHz and will later be forwarded to NTIA. These documents were approved for further consideration in the WRC-2000 preparation process. The participants in this group were thanked for their work.

IWG-8 Fixed and Fixed-Satellite Service Matters - Other Matters

Gerry Wiggins, Vice-Chair, reported that the group did not hold any meetings since the last meeting of the Advisory Committee

IWG-9 Other Matters; Including Regulatory and Procedural Matters

Mr. Carroll, Vice-Chair, reported that the group held three meetings since the last meeting of the Advisory Committee and presented the latest version (WAC/091) of a draft proposal for WRC-2000 Agenda Item 1.8. This document was approved. The group members were thanked for their participation.

Mr. Walsh noted that there was another item concerning changes in the coordination process relating to Res. COM5/17 which would be discussed at a meeting of SCRPM this afternoon at 1:30 p.m. in Conference Room 5-A516. Larry Reed will be chairing.

IWG-10 WRC-2001 Matters

Mr. Palmer, a participant on IWG-10, presented the report (WAC/107) and proposals in light of the Chair being on medical leave and the Vice-Chair on travel overseas. The group held six meetings that were attended by five or six persons. They considered documents received from the other Informal Working Groups and other inputs which resulted in the proposals contained in Documents WAC/092 through WAC/101. These proposals were approved, and Chair Bush thanked Mr. Palmer for stepping in to assist.

5. Consideration of Preliminary Views and Proposals from NTIA's Radio Conference Subcommittee

Mr. Nebbia presented the following items produced by NTIA's RCS.

- a. **Draft U.S. Proposals for WRC-2000 Agenda Items 1.3, 1.4, 1.6.2, 1.7 and 1.18 -- Doc. WAC/102(03.06.99)**
- b. **Draft U.S. Proposals for WRC-2000 Agenda Items 1.4 (Res. 134), 1.4 (Res. 726), 1.7, 1.15.1 and 1.18 -- Doc. WAC/103(10.06.99)**
- c. **Draft U.S. Proposals for WRC-2000 Agenda Items 1.6.1 and 1.16 -- Doc. WAC/104(15.06.99)**

In respect to the proposal for Agenda Item 1.6.1, Mr. Francis Urbany of BellSouth objected to the proposal to suppress Footnote 388 noting that it was the private sector view to retain this

footnote. He made an argument that the footnote gave Administration's flexibility (e.g., it facilitates roaming and providing Internet enhancements) and that the proposed suppression of the footnote should be rejected. Mr. Urbany's remarks were supported by Joanne Wilson of Lucent Technologies, Mark Lewellyn of Iridium, Christine DiLapi of Motorola, Chris Patusky of Sky Station, and Donna Bethea, Chair of IWG-1, who noted that all comments had supported too.

8. Other Business

The Chair stated that all proposals are to go out on public notice by the FCC, and everyone would have the opportunity to comment.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.